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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on December 18, 2002.

REMARKS

Claims 1 through 17 are presently in the subject application.

Claims 1 through 17 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of double patenting over claims 1-8, 11, 17-20 of U.S. Patent No. 6,403,121. Enclosed herewith is a Terminal Disclaimer which overcomes this rejection. Accordingly, allowance of claims 1 through 17 is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is hereby authorized to call the undersigned attorney on record "collect" on any matter connected with this application. The telephone number is 212-588-0800. In the absence of the undersigned attorney of record, the cal will be accepted by any attorney empowered in this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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